APPENDIX A "Clean" Version of Each Paragraph/Section/Claim 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(ii) and (c)(i)

SPECIFICATION:

Replacement title on page 1, line 1:

ULTRASONIC VIBRATION APPARATUS USE AS A SENSOR HAVING A PIEZOELECTRIC ELEMENT MOUNTED IN A CYLINDRICAL CASING AND GROOVES FILLED WITH FLEXIBLE FILLER

CLAIMS (with indication of amended or new):

(NEW) 8. An ultrasonic vibration apparatus, comprising:

a disk like vibration plate having a circular vibration surface, said vibration surface having an outer periphery;

a support member coupled to said disk like vibration plate along a circular path located inside said outer periphery of said circular vibration surface so as to divide said vibration surface into inner and outer regions; and

a piezoelectric element coupled to a central region of said disk-like vibration plate to cause said inner and outer regions to vibrate in substantially the same phase.

(NEW) 9. An ultrasonic vibration apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said circular path defines a vibration node of said vibration plate.

(NEW) 10. An ultrasonic vibration apparatus according to claim 9, wherein said support member has a hollow cylindrical shape.

(NEW) 11. An ultrasonic vibration apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said support member is coupled to a cylindrical base member having an outer periphery which lies outside of said circular path.

(NEW) 12. An ultrasonic vibration apparatus according to claim 11, wherein said cylindrical base member has a hollow cylindrical shape with a wall thickness that is greater than the wall thickness of said support member.